# BROOME COUNTY LEGISLATURE SPECIAL SESSION MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2006

The Legislature convened at 5:34 p.m. with a call to order by the Chair, Daniel A. Schofield. The Clerk, Louis P. Augostini, read the fire exit announcement and called the Attendance Roll, Present-18, Absent-1 (Hutchings).

The Chair, Mr. Schofield, led the members of the Legislature in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, followed by a moment of silence in memory of the September 11, 2001 attack on the World Trade Center.

Mr. Brunza and Mr. Shafer were designated as participants with Chairman Schofield in the 'Short Roll Call'. Resolutions were acted upon out of order, but for the purpose of clarity, they are presented here in numerical order.

### RESOLUTIONS HELD OVER FROM PREVIOUS SESSION

# **RESOLUTION NO. 394**

(Held over by Mr. Shafer)

By Finance Committee

**BOND RESOLUTION DATED SEPTEMBER 11, 2006** 

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$5,310,245 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF BROOME, NEW YORK, TO PAY THE COST OF VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS

Carried, Ayes-18, Nays-0, Absent-1 (Hutchings).

#### RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AT THIS SESSION

# **RESOLUTION NO. 395**

By Finance Committee Seconded by Mr. Schafer

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF ONE-HALF OF THE TOBACCO BOND PROCEEDS FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE GEORGE HARVEY JUSTICE BUILDING AND ONE-HALF OF SAID PROCEEDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE BROOME COMMUNITY COLLEGE TECHNOLOGY/COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING (ACADEMIC BUILDING, PHASE I)

WHEREAS, in the latter part of the year 2005, municipalities in New York State had an opportunity to receive additional tobacco settlement revenues, and

WHEREAS, Broome County opted to receive said revenues in the amount of \$17,154,817.71, together with accrued interest, and

WHEREAS, this Legislature, by Resolution 24 of 2006, selected two projects that could meet bond expenditure guidelines and funded with said tobacco settlement revenues, and

WHEREAS, the selected projects that were included in the County's 2006-2011 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) were the renovation of the George Harvey Justice Building and the Broome Community College Technology/Communications Building, now, therefore, be

RESOLVED, that this County Legislature hereby authorizes the expenditures of one half of the tobacco bond proceeds (\$8,577,409) for the reconstruction of the George Harvey Justice Building and one-half of the tobacco bond proceeds (\$8,577,409) for the construction of the Broome Community College Technology/Communications Building (Academic Building, Phase I), and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive or her duly authorized representative is hereby empowered to execute any such agreements, documents, or papers, approved as to form by the Department of Law, as may be necessary to implement the intent and purpose of this Resolution.

Held over 'under the rules' by Mr. Shafer.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 396**

By Finance and Public Works Committees

\* Tobacco Revenue Funds

Seconded by Mr. Schafer

### RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2006 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

RESOLVED, that the 2006 Capital Improvement Program is hereby amended as follows:

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		Estimated Construction Cost:			
Code	Project Name	<u>Total</u>	State	Federal/Oth	er County
501432	George Harvey Justice Building Reconstruction	18,000,000	0	18,000,000	0* 0
			inance Law Section 11 How Financed:		
		Year Start 2006	<u>YPU</u> 	<u>LFL</u> 	Bond 0
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<u>Code</u>	Project Name	<u>Total</u>	<u>State</u>	Federal/Oth	
501432	George Harvey Justice Building Reconstruction	17,000,000	0	8,500,000	* 8,500,000
				How Financed:	
		Year Start	<u>YPU</u>	<u>LFL</u>	<u>Bond</u>
		2006	25	12	8,500,000

<u>Description:</u> This project involves the use of one-half of the tobacco settlement revenues (\$8,500,000) for the renovation of the George Harvey Justice Building to provide space for the relocation of the offices for the District Attorney, Probation, and the Public Defender. The renovation would be in keeping with the historical significance of the building, retaining the exterior surfaces and as much as possible of the interior to retain the historical flavor. The relocation of the offices from rental facilities in the City of Binghamton would free up about \$500,000 in lease payments that can be used to retire any debt incurred for the renovation of the GHJB.

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		Estimated Construction Cost:			
<u>Code</u>	Project Name	<u>Total</u>	<u>State</u>	Federal/Other	County
501xxx	BCC Communications - Technology Building	35,000,000	17,500,000	17,500,000*	0
		Local Finance Law Section 11		How Financed:	
		Year Start 2006	YPU LFL	<u>Bon</u> 0	<u>d</u>

TO:

501xxx

**Estimated Construction Cost:** Code Project Name Total State Federal/Other 24,000,000

BCC Communications -**Technology Building** 

(Phase 1)

Local Finance Law Section 11 How Financed: Year Start **YPU** <u>LFL</u> **Bond** 3,500,000 2006

8,500,000\*

12,000,000

County

3,500,000

Description: This project is Phase I for a new Communications/Technology Building that involves the use of one-half of the tobacco settlement revenues (\$8,500,000) for the consolidation of the Communications and Media programs to a single structure that is appropriate to their needs per BCC's Master Plan. Music, Art and Communications are related programs scattered about campus and currently are the College's fastest growing departments. Music is located in the old Civil Defense basement and Art in the old Maintenance garage. Communications Technology has outgrown its space in Titchener with its photography lab in an old locker room. This project also includes significant site development addressing the Master Plans development of the southern area of the campus. Savings in rent associated with the companion project to renovate the George Harvey Justice Building to provide office space for the District Attorney, Probation and the Public Defender should be sufficient to offset any debt service payments.

and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Research, Comptroller and the Commissioner of Finance are hereby authorized to process any paperwork to implement the intent of this Resolution.

Held over 'under the rules' by Mr. Shafer.

Mr. Shafer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Nannery. Motion to adjourn carried, Ayes-18, Nays-0, Absent-1 (Hutchings). The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

<sup>\*</sup> Tobacco Revenue Funds

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